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In re Application of

Brett A. LATIMER, et al.

Application No.: 10/635,896

Filed: August 07, 2003

For: LOCKING HINGE FOR FOLDING LADDER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

<u>Transmitted</u> herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

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Also attached: Four (4) Replacement Drawing Sheets (Figs. 14(a), 14(b), 16(a) and 16(b) amended)

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	14	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
	-	Multiple dependent claims newly presented Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
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					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

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Sir:

These amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2005.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.